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## [Letter from Harold Spivacke to John A. Lomax, General Delivery, Raiford, FL]

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Mr. John A. Lomax General Delivery Raiford, Florida

Dear Mr. Lomax:

- 1. I know very well that you can think up a better way of holding us up for \$500. when you want to. Anyway, I should not have suspected you because the method employed was not traditional. The wild and wooly west always employed more direct methods! (The records have been released probably the result of your letter.)
- 2. I am glad to hear that the records were forwarded to you. We sent a package of records to Florida on receiving your wire.
- 3. I am sorry to hear about the disappearance of the gang work-songs but in a country as vital as ours, something must be forming to take its place.

With regard to the letter you enclosed, I must warn you that the result is apt to embarrass you with your eager Texas friends for they have invited Alan to sing for them.

I hope that you are enjoying your trip.

With best regards to Mrs. Lomax,

Sincerely, Harold Spivacke Chief, Division of Music

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